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#### The Trouble in the Ark.

In the autumn of 1830 I attended protracted meeting in the interior of Georgia, and heard a sermon which I have never been able to forget or describe. I have attempted several times to write it. But it cannot be put on paper. The main force of it was in the snuffing and spitting and groaning and hound after a fox sort of yelp and whine, to which no pen can do justice.

The preacher had just been licensed and it was his first sermon. In person he was small, bullet-headed, of a fair. sandy complexion, and his countenance His remarks evinced great reverence for the works of God as manifested in zoology and natural history, and he "was taking up the Bible in regular order for the first time in his life." He had gotten as far as the history of Noah, the ark, the flood, etc. Besides, "just be fore his conversion he had been reading Goldsmith's "Animated Nater," and the two together, by the aid and assistance of the sperit, had led him into a powerful frame of thinking as he stood at his work bench "day in and day out." But whatever his sermon may have been, it was, his own. The text was: "As it was in the days of Noah, so shall the coming of the Son of man be." After commenting upon that portion of Genesis descriptive of the flood, he "warmed up" suddenly, and broke out in the following strains:

"Yes, my brethren, the heavens of the windows was opened ah, and the floods of the g-r-e-a-t deep kivered the waters ah, and there was Shem, and there was Ham, and there was Japheth ah, a-l-l gwine into the ark ah.

"And there was the elephant-ah, that p-r-e-a-t animal-ah, of which Goldsmith what is as big as a horse ah, and his bones as big as a tree th, depending s mewhat on the size of the tree ah. Il agwine into the ark alt. And the heavens of the windows were opened ah, and the floods of the great deep k.vered the waters ah, and there was Shem, and there was Ham, and there was Japheth ah, all agwine into the

"And there was the hippopotamusah, hat great animal ah, of which sold smith describes in his "Animated Nater" ah, what has a great horn ah, astickin' right straight up out of his forward ah, six feet loug, more or less ah depending somewhat in the length of it

ah, all agwine into the ark ah. "And there was the giraffe ah, my brethern that ill contrived reptile of which Goldsmith describes in his "Ani mated Nater" ah, whose fore legs twenty-five feet long ah, more or less ah. depending somewhat on the length of 'em ah, and a neck so long he can't eat hay off the top of a barn ah, depending somewhat on the hithe of the barn ah. all agwine into the ark ah. And the heavens and windows was opened sh, and the floods of the great deep kivered the waters ah; there was Shem, and there was Ham, and Japhethah, all agwine into the ark ah.

"And there was the zebra, my bretheren ah, the beautiful animal of which Goldsmith describes in his "Ani moted Nater ah, which has three hund red stripes a runnin' right round his body ah, more or less, depending somewhat on the number of stripes ah; and nary two s'ripes alike ah, all agwine in to the ark ah.

"And there was the anaconder ah that great sarpint of which Goldsmith describes in his "Animated Nater ah. what can swallow six oxens at a mealah, provided his appetite don't call for less ah, all'agwine into the ark ah. And the heavens of the windows was opened ah, and the floods of the great deep kivered the waters ah, and there was Shem, and there wis Ham, and there was Japheth ah, all ac, wine into the ark-

"And there was the lion, my breth ren ah, what is the king of beasts accordin' to scripter ah, and who, as St. Paul says ah, prowls around of a night like a roarin' devil ah, a seekin' if he can't catch somebody ah, all agwine into

"And there was the antelope, my brethren, that frisky little critter ah, of which Goldsmith describes in h s "Ani mated Nater" ah, what can jump seven the mountains a moltin ah; and everyty five feet straight up ah, and twice thing, I think, will be in a confused that distance down ah, provided his legs and onsettled state. May the Lord add demand her wages, but a wife can de the sum of two hundred dollars per Above that, I'd take it all, every dollar. will take him that fur ah, all agwine in his blessing. Ameu.

to the ark ah. And the heavens of the windows was opened ah, and the floods of the great dee p kivered the waters ah, and there was Shem, and there was Ham, and there was Japheth ah, all agwine into the ark ah.

Just at this point he stopped speak ing a few moments, wiped his forehead, turned back his wristbands, ren his fingers through his hair, spit and rub bed his boot in it, drank a little water, commenced on a lower key, and proceed ed as follows:

"But time would fail me my brethren to describe all the animals that went in to the ark ah. Your patience and my strength would give out before I got half through ah. We talk my bretherin', of the faith of Abraham and the patience of Job ah, but it strikes 'me they didn't go much ahead of old Noer ah. It tuck a right smart chance o' both to gether up all that gopher wood and pitch and other truck for to build that craft ab. I am a sort of corpenter myself, and have some idee of the job ah. But to ham mer, and saw, and maul, and split away on that one thing a hundred and twenty years ah, and lookin' for his pay in another world ah-I tell you my bretherin' if the Lord had a sot a Job at that, it's my opinion he would a tuck his wife's advice inside of fifty year ab. Besides, no doubt his righteous soul was vexed every day, hand runnin', with the filthy communications of the blasphe mous set that was always a loaferin' and a saunterin' around ah, a pickin' up his too's and a misplacin' 'em, and a callin him an old fool or somethin' worse ah ; and to cap the climax, he was a preach er, and had that ongodly gineration in his hands every Sunday ah. But the Lord stood by and seed him through the job ah; and when everything was ready he didn't send Noer out to serai

wide world for to get up the critters and varmints that he wanted to save ah They all come to his hand of their own accord, and Noer only had to head 'em in and fix round in their places ah. Then he gethered up his own family, and the Lord shut him in, and the heavens of the windows was opened ah. "But my bretherin', Noer ah, had

> what a time he must a had a feedin' and waterin' and a cleanin' out after such a crowd ah. Some of 'em accordin' to Goldsmith's "Animated Nater" ah, was carniverous, and wanted fresh meat ah, and some were herbiverous, and wanted vegetable food ah; and some were wormivorous, and swallowed live things wholeah; and had to feed every one accordin' to its nater. Hence, we view. my bretherin' ah, as the nater of animals was'nt altered by going into the ark ah. some of 'em would roar and howl, and bark and bray, and blate and squeel the whole endurin, night ah, a driven' sleep from his eyes and slumber from his eye lets ah; and at the first streak "o day light, the last hoof of 'em would set up a noise accordin' to its nater ah; and the bulls of Bashan weren't no whar ah I ve often wondered how the women stood it. Scripter is silent on this pintah; but I think I know of some that would a been vapory and nervous under such cincumstances ah, and in au onguarded moment might a said some think besides their prayers ah,"

Here the speaker stopped again, spit, took water, etc., and hastened to a con

"My breatherin" said he, "one more word for old Noer, and I will draw to a close ah. After the outbeatin' time he had first and last, for so many hundred years ah, if he did by accident, or other wise, take a leetle too much wine on one occasion ah, I think less ort to a been said about it ah. Besides, I think he was entitled to one spreeah, as he made the wine himself, and accordin' to scripter it makes glad the heart of man-

The world will never be drowned igin ah. It will be sot a fire, and burnt up, root and branch, with a fervent heatah. Oh! what will wretched ondone sinners do on that orful day ah. They wont feel fit for to live, nor fit for to die ah ! They will be put to their wit's end, and knock and straddle around in every direction ah. For all at once, my brethern ah, they will behold the heavens a darkenin' ab, the seas a roarin' ah, the tombs a bustin' ah,

## First rost. A TOUCHING SCEN AT MEMPHIS.

The Memphis Apeal thus describes the coming of the frit at Momphis:

'While it was yettwilight, and or the dappled east had yet opened the gates of day to the ising sun, hastily attired men and woten, with semi nude children in their arts, were out in the streets breathing theoregious air of the purifying frost. Hee, stoopping down one gathered a hanful of the glitter ing hoar frost, which pure and beauti ful, lay upon the earh, and gazing on it with somewhat of the gladdening spirit with which the Isradices gathered the manna in the desert of Arabia, exclaim ed: 'O. God! we think Thee for this blessing!' Others came and touched with reverential fingers the pure, cold messenger of health, as if to satisfy themselves, like the half believing Thom as of old, that the seviour of the city had not risenbut descended from heav en to save the people from the destroy ing angel of the pestilence. Groups of men and women moved from place to prove by cumulative evidence that in deed it was frost, and not some optical delusion; that they wished for guests had not merely confined its visitations to one locality, but enjoyed the freedom of the city. Here a pale face, once a handsome woman, with a tender babe at her breast, knelt down on the cold ground to thank God that the frost had come! Poor, stricken heart! she and her orphan boy were all that the pesti lence had spared out of a once happy family. Strong men, bare headed and bare armed walked excitedly hither and thit her rejoicing in the fact that a phy sician had come to whose nostrums the

the only true panacea for the terrible yellow fever. Windows and doors were thrown open, woollen and cotton gar ments were exposed to the disinfecting agency of the cold and rarefied air, and everywhere in the city as well as in the vicinity of the infected region the enthu siasm was as marked, if not as fervent and joyous.'

## Beecher on Stock Gambling.

Henry Ward Beecher recently deliv ered a lecture in Boston on "The Battle of Business,' from which we extract the following paragraph: "If it is danger us o gamble in infa

nous play houses, it is much more dan gerous in our great commercial centers. It is a crying shame that it should be iu he power of a few men to convulse a whole nation merely to fill their own coffers. [Applause.] Legitimate stock selling is distinctly a legitimate busines but stock selling as conducted by some nen is a crime so atrocious that if any thing deserves the halter that does .-When men have in their power to gam ble in secret (as in the time of the war) as to compel the government to tempo rarily exercise Ceresarism to save the na tion-that men can do this unwhipt of justice shows that we have not yet learn ed how to conduct commerce in its high est forms. To day one of these men is poor; te morrow he overflows with rich es: but there is one consolation with re gard to them-they never keep their riches. Can you point out one of these men who has retired with a fortune and reasonably enjoyed it? They have no moderation, and only live in the fiery passions of the street. But thousands of ignocent men are ruined by them. and it is a burning shame that they should be allowed to carry ruin to inno cent victims. If public opinion could not restrain them a law should be pass ed that would.'

### Let Your Wife Know.

It is a custom too common with men of the world to keep their families in utter ignorance of the situation of their business, The wife knows nothing, has not even an idea of the amount of her husband's fortune, whether it is to be counted by hundreds of thousand. What can a woman kept in such ignorance learn? She spends as a matter of course all he gives her to spend, with the full confidence that when it is gone, and she asks for it, he will give her more.

If an unmarried woman works she mand nothing, her claim is only for bare annum,

necessity; and generous men, on that account, are too often indulgent, too fearful of letting a wife know the exact state of their finances. 'Tis all wrong.

Husband and wife have a mutual in terest; every woman should know the exact state of her husband's finances, understand his plans, and aid him, if possible, with her counsels, and then these terrible catastrophes would not so often happen. Many a wife who is plunging her husband deeper and deeper into debt through ignorance, would, if she knew his embarrassments, be the first to save, and with true womanly sym pathy and generosity, help him to rein. state his fallen fortunes.

#### Corn and Cotton.

WASHINGTON, D. C., November 26. The November statistical report the Department of Agriculture, now in press, makes a showing for the corn product quite as unfavorable as that which was forecasted in reference to the short crop of 1869. The present returns point to a product of about 858,000,000. The estimate of last year's crop of Illinois was 217,000,000; the estimate of the present crop is 132,000,000. On ly six States show a crop equal to last year's, viz: Virginia, Georgia, Florida, West Virginia, Oregon, and Rhode Island. The percentage of deficiency in the principal corn growing sections, in comparison with the total product of last year, is as follows: Kentucky, 4 per cent; Ohio, 11; Indiana, 22; Illinois, 39; Yewa, 28; Missouri and Kansas, 31. The deficiency for New York is 8 per cent, and 16 for Pennsylvania. In most of the Southern States the crop is smal ler than that of last year. The cotton reports of Nevember, unlike those of comparative condition, earlier in the season, make each estimate of the expected crop in each county stated in the form of a percentage of last year's crop The aggregate of these estimates varies a little from 3,700,000 bales. The sea son for picking has been unusually fine thus far, yet the result may be modified by an exceptionably favorable season in the latter part of November and in De cember, or by storms affecting injuriously the saving of the top crop. The Stat percentage, in comparison with last year, are calculated as follows: North Carolina 92; Georgia 97; Florida 97; Alabama 91; Mississippi 85; Louisiana 80; Texas 112, Arkansas 101; Tennessee 102. These figures would be much lower but for the increase of area planted. The estimated total area is, in round numbers, nine and a half millions. A tabulated statement of the results of these returns, including the area and yield per acre, will be found in the report now in press.

### Digging For Diamonds.

The condition of things at the South

African diamond fields is very similar to that of the old placer mining days in California. The commonest necessaries of life are sold at most exorbitant prices New Rush, a town of canvas tents and shanties, inhabited by a motely collection of Old Dutch settlers, or Boers, as they are called, immigrants of every European nationality, Kaffirs and Chinese coolies, has already got a newspaper the Grinqualand Gazette, which furnish es the fellowing list of correct prices. A single plank sells at from three to five dollars, and a joist at from five to seven dollars, and firewood at thirty five dol lars a load. The cost of other things is almost equally high. Lime sells for ten dollars a bushel, salt for ten dollars a bag, cabbages from half a dollar to a dol lar and a half a piece, sucking pigs from five to seven dollars each, ducks two dol lars a pair; eggs a dollar a dozen. Beef is comparatively cheap, as good oxen can be bought for forty five dollars. But the people are not without their pleasures. They have a Masonic ledge and a circus. They hunt the spring bok. They have coursing matches with dogs for silzer cups-tentries for dogs ton dol lars,' and an uctioneer has actually been instructed to sell 'a full tricord, as good as new,' and 'Christy's Minstrels' give notice that they will appear at 'Aduman tia Circus,' and Mr. Leslie has had a benefit given him at the Mutual . Hall, and there is an iron boat for pleasures parties on Dutoitspan Lake. Finally in the matter of education, boys under 12 years of age will be boarded and taught may go with a bold unblushing face, and at the Klip Drift Grammer School for

#### Santanta and Big Tree.

When Santanta and Big Tree were released from the imprisonment which they justly merited, they made the Uni ted States Commissioners 'a big talk.' According to the interpreters, who usu ally have a flavor of Cooper's novels in their translations, Big Tree made sundry allusions to the leaves of the forest to which his people were comparable, and to his heart, which was soft and good, He concluded his oration by saying: I have 'learned something from you whites. I know enough not to fight you ngain.' This noble savage has a short memo

ry; he has not been out of jail thirty days, and he is now on a raid, plunder ing and burning with all his ancient freedom. Santanta and Big Tree were tried, convicted, and sentenced under the law of Texas, the whole proceeding being in exact accordance with the new est phrases of the Indian policy of the Administration. Without consulting the Governor of Texas, who has the par doning power, an agent of the President promised that the convicted Indians should be released; they were so releas ed, "in order that the President might keep his word.' The result is not a little mortifying; but the Indians, who promised good behavior, doubtless think the whole affair a first rate joke.

#### The Glass of Fashion.

A magnificent set of glassware destined for the White House has just been completed at the Corning (N. Y.) Glass Works. It consists of two dozen gob lets, which are cut about half way up the bowl, the remainder of the bowl be ing richly engraved and prominent ang it is one United States cont ofarms: four dozen champagne glasses and saucer bowls, cut and engraved as the goblets; two dozen regular champagne glasses, engraved as the others; six dozen canary-colored hock glasses; seven dozen ruby bowl, flint stein Sauterne glasses. There are also four dozen claret, six dozen sherry and four dozen cordial glasses, two dozen finger bowls, which are cut and engraved with the cont of arms, three dozen punch glasser with handles; four dozon ice cream plates, cut and engraved as the glasses, The value of this glass is about two thousand dollars. It is all gotten up with the best of taste, and of most ex quisite pattern. The engraving is perfect. There are, besides the above, a large number of entirely new and beau tiful samples of preserve disher, shell and other forms; also, bottles, decanters, &c., which far surpass any thing ever gotten up at Corning.

### Now For It.

A learned Gorman professor has in vented a plan whereby a single white dress may be changed as often as you desire to any color you may fancy, and this in your own laundry, so that hereaf ter the money which you would devote to several robes of varying hues may be saved, while you may appear daily if you choose, in toilets of totally different complexion. The process is simple, and consists in merely coloring the starch used in the 'doing up." Suppose a white dress is to be tinted a beautiful crimson: Three parts of fuchsin, an aniline color which any chemist can readily procure for you, are dissolved in twenty parts of glycerine, and mixed in a mortar, with a little water, Then or dinary starsh, finely pulverized, is stir red in and the thick mass obtained is poured out and dried on blotting paper The powder thus obtained is used just the same as common starch, and so ap plied to the fabric. When the latter is dry it is slightly sprinkled and pressed with a moderately warm iron, By means of the coloring materials mixed as above described, any desired tint may be obtained. We should counsel an avoid ance of damp localities, and deprecate going out in the rain with it, as the gar ments migh assume a streaked and ze bra like appearance.

William Arp says: "I'd tax a man nuthin on an iucum of 5 thousan dollars and under. I'd tax 10 per ct, on all between 5 and 10 thousan; twenty per ct. on all between 10 and 20 thousan. and so on, doublin up to 50 thousan, I tell you that will git em.

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Curiosities of Journalism How They Read Newspapers. and the "tribberatic cirry."

Uncle Ned first hunts up & funny hing, then laughs with a will.

Aunt Sue first reads the stories, then turns to the marriages, births and deaths. The laborer looks only at the wants, noping so find a better opening in his ousiness.

Miss Flora seeks out the new adverisements to ascertain the newest importations of bonnets and kids. and a

Mr. Pleasure Seeker turns to the amusement columns and decides which entertainment will afford him the great est enjoyment. If all si main lawi.

Miss Prim drops a tear-first over the marriages, then over the deaths. for," says slie, "one is as bad as the other." or award od bus partific silus

Mr. Professor slowly examines the editorials, its rhetoric, syntax and legio. then glances at the correspondence final ly returns to his Latin, and quickly for gets what he has read.

Mr. Politician commences with the editorals, then scans the telegraph, on ding his perusal with the speeches quo ted has made troms and Mr. Marvellous looks for accidents,

murders, inquests and deaths, reads the county record, and ends with the stories in search of something sensational. But why extend the lists? Back in dividual reads for himself and aff cook

does not find a column or more too his particular tare, the paper is insipid, the editor lazy and deserving of consurerd A young gentlemin of a musical turn of mind, had permission to practice on a church organ. One evening, on going to do so, he was unable to obtain this

services of the boy that usually bless the bellows, and on his way to the Shurch he met a lad who, he the aght would serve his turn for that occas In answer to the question could he blow the bellows of an organ, the boy replied. "Yes, sar, I can blaw an organ;" so the musician took the lad with him, and explained to him the use of the indicator which would show how full of air the bellows was. The indicator, it may be mentioned, is a piece of string, attached to the bellows, which passes through a small aperture in the frame-work, and to which a light weight is fastened. The man of music inquired of his assistant if he understood what he had to do; the boy answered that he "nawed all aboos it." Whereupon the musician prepared to play. On touching the keys of the organ, however, no music was fortherm ing. He shouted to the boy, "Blow, my ad." "Aws blawin', sir." Still hos music. "Blow barder, boy." Man blawin' harder sir." Still no music. Blow harder yet boy " "A . blawin' hard as ever aw can sir! Still no music. Thinking that seemething was in wrong with the instrument, the organ... player was about to examine it. When, to his surprise, he found the boy with

his cheeks painfully distended, and his

mouth closely applied to the hole through-

which the indicator string passed, blown

ing as if for "very life of spines a sail nos

The great mass of the tobacco crown he United States is raised chieff in irginia and Kentucky, although large mantitios are grown in Marland, Pondsylvania, Connecticut and other States. The crop this year in Virginia it is mid. will be large, and though damaged by drought and other causes, will be an average one, with much fine tebacco. In Kentucky, with the exception of the Green River district, the crop will by very good, and in some places larger and better than last year. In Indiana the yield falls off about oue fourth, and is not so good as last season's. A similar report of a short crop and poor quality omes from Illinois. Tennesage will give a full average yield of fair quality. Missouri will have an average yield, but the crop will be materially damaged in some ocalities. In North Carolina the crop is large, but damaged, though the yield 

'How is it that you came home from you party so early last night Betty Didn't you enjoy yourself?

Yes ma. But the young man who took me into the supper insulted me? 'Insulted you, Betty? Why what did.' he say?"

Why he asked me if my programme was full; and I'm sure I never had noth ing but a saudwith and a glass of lemon. ade, so I come away home.